REMARKS

In order to expedite the prosecution of the present application, Claim 20 has been amended to recite that the rotatable furnace contains a burner and that the gas supplied to the burner has a hydrogen/oxygen gas ratio of from 2.1 to 2.5. Since this amendment satisfies the rejection of Claims 20-25 under 35 USC 112, first paragraph, and this was the only rejection made in the Office Action, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is now in condition for allowance.

If the Examiner feels that there are any outstanding matters left to be resolved in the present application, he is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned in order that they may be dealt with.

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